## TOWN OF SPENCER, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE SEWER COMMISSION

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## Minutes of Meeting held April 15, 2015

Meeting of the Board of Sewer Commissioners held at the Water Department, 3 Old Meadow Road, Spencer, MA.

Members present: Francis "Frank" X. White

Lawrence "Larry" H. Dufault Michael "Mike" Mercadante

Sewer staff present: Mark Robidoux, Supt.

James Laplante, Jr., Assist Chief Operator

Debra Graves, Sr. Clerk

Others present: Steven Tyler, U&F Supt.

Meeting was called to order at 5:03pm.

- 1. Read and accepted minutes for March 11 and March 25, 2015.
- 2. Signed monthly commitment for Septage Fees.
- 3. Signed quarterly commitment
- 4. Superintendent Mark Robidoux Reports:
  - Monthly Operations Report
  - Monthly Monitoring Report
  - Infiltration-Inflow Report
  - Nitrogen Analyses Report
     (Reports are on file at the Utilities & Facilities Office)

## 5. MassDOT – Rt.9 Sewer:

Wright-Pierce's Main Street Sewer System Improvements cost estimate is \$636,048. Vanasse Hangen Brustlin Engineers may help with the sewer construction inspection services. Inspecting buildings for sump pumps and other illegal connections is included in W-P's estimate. Also, might get help with inroad & construction fees. Steve Tyler asked the Sewer Commission to decide on this project by August, 31, 2015. Betterments would be needed for the laterals replacement. Letters should be mailed to affected building owners informing them, if the decision is made to require lateral replacements. Sewer Commissioners will discuss the project at their next meeting.

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- 6. <u>EPA Copper Administrative Order</u>: A new AO is being written. Might have to do treatment to reduce effluent copper.
- 7. Review Michael Meloche letter about electricity needs for Sewer Department. Sewer Chairman Frank White will give him a call.
- 8. Annual Town Meeting will be held May 7, 2015.
- 9. New Hire: Human Resources will send out letters to applicants.

## 10. Sewer System Upgrades:

- Meadow Rd Pump Station design flow for each pump is 550 gpm. Flow tests revealed one pump operating pumped 500 gpm and with both pumps operating 570 gpm. Gorman-Rupp is reviewing the pump's design curve and will get back to Nuwater.
- New blowers are operational at the WWTP. Two blowers cannot operate at max speed because they exceed the rate motor amps. W-P is looking into the cause and remedy.
- The flocculator clarifier is coming on line this week.

Public Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm, motion by Larry, seconded by Mike and in favor, Frank.